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SUBJ: POSTPONEMENT OF ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE

1. PRINCE FAHD TOLD THE AMBASSADOR TODAY, JULY 14, THAT THE NEXT ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE WAS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD THE FIRST FEW DAYS IN SEPTEMBER. HE THOUGHT THE ARAB MODERATES MIGHT BE ABLE TO HOLD THEIR OWN BUT THE RADICALS WOULD CERTAINLY TRY TO CONTROL THE CONFERENCE. THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE DANGER THAT STRONG, INFLAMMATORY RESOLUTIONS COULD BE ADOPTED WHICH WOULD BE UNHELPFUL DURING THE SUBSEQUENT DELIBERATIONS IN

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2. IT WOULD BE FAR BETTER, HE SAID, IF THE ARAB CONFERENCE COULD BE HELD AFTER THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. IF THIS RESULTED, AS HE ASSUMED IT WOULD, IN FURTHER ISRAELI WITHDRAWALS, THE ARAB MODERATES WOULD BE STRENGTHENED AND THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE COULD LEAD TOWARD, RATHER THAN AWAY FROM, FURTHER FRUITFUL NEGOTIATIONS.

3. HE ASKED IF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE COULD BE HELD EARLY IN SEPTEMBER AND, IN ANY CASE, ASKED URGENTLY THAT HE BE INFORMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE DATE FOR ITS RECONVENING. AS SOON AS HE GETS THIS INFORMATION, HE WOULD START HIS ATTEMPTS TO POSTPONE THE ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE TO SOME TIME THEREAFTER. HE WAS SURE EGYPT AND SYRIA WOULD AGREE TO SUCH A POSTPONEMENT.
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